

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2416
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09952.0208-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Mariachiara BOSSI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2416
Application No.: 10/538,833) Examiner: KAO, Jutai
Filed: June 13, 2005)
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR) Confirmation No.: 5179
DESIGNING A DATA NETWORK)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

REPLY AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants submit this Reply in response to the final Office Action mailed November 12, 2008. In the final Office Action, the Examiner identified allowable subject matter in dependent claims 17-20, 22, 26-28, and 30. In this Response, Applicants have incorporated the allowable subject matter of dependent claims 17 and 26 into each of the pending independent claims 16, 23, and 25. For at least this reason, Applicants submit that all pending claims comprise allowable subject matter and, thus, the present application is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.